

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Xavier ROUSSIN-BOUCHARD

Application No.: New U.S. National Stage of PCT/FR2004/002512

Filed: March 1, 2006

Docket No.: 121618

For: CONTROL LEVER FOR A MANIPULATOR

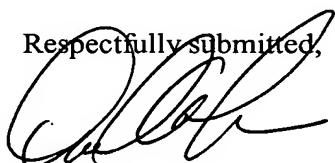
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- 2. One or more reference cited herein was cited in the International Search Report. An English language version of the International Search Report is attached for the Examiner's information. See References 1-2 & 4-5.
- 3. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(ii), copies of any U.S. patents and patent application publications are not attached.
- 4. Reference 3 corresponds to Reference 5.

Respectfully submitted,

William P. Berridge
Registration No. 30,024

Daniel A. Tanner, III
Registration No. 54,734

WPB:DAT/nxy

Date: March 1, 2006

OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC
P.O. Box 19928
Alexandria, Virginia 22320
Telephone: (703) 836-6400

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT USE
AUTHORIZATION
Please grant any extension
necessary for entry;
Charge any fee due to our
Deposit Account No. 15-0461

10/570158

IAPG Rec'd PCT/PTO 01 MAR 2006

Sheet 1 of 1

Form PTO-1449 (REV. 1/06)		US Dept. of Commerce PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE	ATTY DOCKET NO. 121618	APPLICATION NO. New U.S. National Stage of PCT/FR2004/002512		
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (Use several sheets if necessary)		APPLICANT Xavier ROUSSIN-BOUCHARD				
		FILING DATE March 1, 2006				
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number	Date	Name		
	1.	6,031,190	02/29/2000	Toshihide TOKUDA et al.		
	2.	4,811,175	03/07/1989	Gregory L. DESMET		
	3.	5,566,586	10/22/1996	Armin LAUER et al.		
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Document Number	Date	Country	With English Abstract	With English Translation
	4.	DE 101 31 219 C1	03/06/2003	GERMANY		
	5.	DE 42 04 223 A1	08/19/1993	GERMANY		
OTHER DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials	Cite No.	(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)				
EXAMINER					DATE CONSIDERED	
Examiner: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. 609; draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.						

Date: March 1, 2006